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The Honorable Susan Illston
District Court Judge
Northern District of California
Federal Building, 17th Floor
450 Golden Gate Ave.
San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: *United States v. Minh Dang*, CR 07-0641 SI

Your Honor:

The defendant Minh Dang faces federal extortion charges. He was released at his initial appearance before the Honorable Magistrate Judge Edward Chen and scheduled to appear before this Court for his initial appearance on November 2nd. On the afternoon of his release, however, he was detained by the Marshals on a bench warrant out of Amador County, California.

It is my understanding that Mr. Dang is currently in custody and has been taken to Amador County to make an appearance on these state charges. That appearance is scheduled for the 2nd. Because he is in state custody, he will be unable to appear before this Court on the 2nd.

I anticipate that Mr. Dang will post bail in the state case on November 2nd. I would therefore propose that his initial appearance be continued to Friday, November 9th at 11:00 am. AUSA Kyle Waldinger has no objection to this request. A proposed stipulated order to this effect is enclosed.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

BARRY J. PORTMAN
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/s

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Enclosure

cc: AUSA Kyle Waldinger